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11 November 1975

Mrs. Hans Gunthardt
Program Chairman
The American Women's Group in Paris
49, rue Pierre Charron
75008 Paris, France

Dear Mrs. Gunthardt:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of invitation to address the January 9th Meeting of the American Women's Group in Paris. Please forgive the long delay in answering, but I have been traveling for the past several weeks. I am, indeed, pleased to be afforded the opportunity to address such a large and important group and I sincerely regret that I will be unable to do so. I have several other commitments at that time which will preclude my traveling to Paris, but I would be delighted to talk to the American Women's Group on the very vital subject of intelligence on some mutually convenient future date.

May I take this opportunity, Mrs. Gunthardt, to wish you and the members of the American Women's Group in Paris a very successful Bicentennial Year. With every good wish,

Faithfully,

Vernon A. Walters

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Lieutenant General, USA
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My Dear Lt. General Walters,

STAT [redacted] was good enough to give me your address.

The AWG in Paris, which has six-hundred (600) members, is looking forward to opening the Bi-centennial Year with an outstanding speaker. We hope it will be you!

It will be a luncheon meeting

Date: January 12 - Monday (1976)

Time: 12:00

Place: Paris-Hilton Hotel

We also hope to invite the Men's Group and the British Women's Group as our guests on that day to hear you speak.

This year I am Program Chairman for AWG and Augusta Petrone (who is on my committee) sent me a copy of the article "The Silent Battlefield" which appeared in the "Manchester Union Leader". It was very timely and effective.

Here, in Europe, the CIA is constantly under attack in the news media. We need badly to hear an answer to the steady attack that is distressing to so many Americans who feel it undermines our intelligence services. The balance needs to be restored and we feel you could give us all a fresh start for the New Year by telling a story that needs to be told directly to the public.

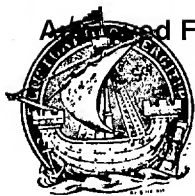
I enclose a copy of our AWG Bulletin so you can see what our group is like. As you can also see, I would need some autobiographical material and a black and white photo which should be in the hands of the printer by November 22nd so that it would appear on time in the January Bulletin.

Six-hundred women are waiting with great hope that you will write to tell us you will be our first speaker in the new year.

With our very best wishes

(Mrs. Hans Gunthardt) - Program Chairman

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November 3, 1976

My dear Lt. General Walters

This is just a note to confirm the letter I sent you on October 21st - asking you to speak to the American Women's Group in Paris on Monday, January 12, 1976 at the Paris Hilton Hotel at 12:15 or 12:30.

Our deadline for the Bulletin is approaching (two weeks from now) and I wanted to remind you - if you have been

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out of town - that we need your picture and
punter.

you have 250 - hundred (600) women
in the AWC - hopeful that you will be in Paris
in January to open the Beacon and give
as a first speaker.

I am enclosing an AWC Bulletin
which will give you a little more information
about our group and its activities.

We look forward to hearing from

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Program Chairman

Margaret Gunthardt
(Mrs. Hans Gunthardt)